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Assignee		The Procter & Gamble Company
Title		Absorbent Article With Improved Surface Fastening System
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